

H1N1 FLU VACCINE NOW AVAILABLE BY APPOINTMENT AT HEALTH DEPARTMENT

The City of Long Beach Department of Health and Human Services (Health Department) will be providing H1N1 flu vaccine by appointment, starting on December 10, 2009.

Appointments may be made starting on December 8, 2009 between the hours of 8:30 am to noon and 1:00 pm to 4:30 pm daily, by calling (562) 570-4103.

Appointment slots will be opened up on a weekly basis, dependent upon the availability of vaccine. Vaccine will continue to be provided free of charge at this time due to the availability of federal grant funding to support this effort.



Due to an ongoing national vaccine shortage, the H1N1 flu vaccine will continue to be provided only if persons are in one of the following categories:

- All individuals between the age of 6 months and 24 years of age
- Caretakers and household members of infants under 6 months of age
- Health care workers with direct patient care
- Pregnant women
- Adults from 25 to 64 year of age with a high risk medical condition (such as lung disease, diabetes, etc).
- Teachers Preschool, K-12 and Daycare Providers

NOTE: Individuals 65 years of age or older are not eligible to receive the H1N1 flu vaccine at this time. Once the vaccine manufacturers are able to provide ample H1N1 flu vaccine supplies, the profile of individuals who may be able to receive the vaccine will be expanded.

More information is available on the Health Department's website at www.longbeach.gov/health, or the 24 hour Public Health Information line at (562) 570-4499.



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